

In re Application of: Crump, et al.

Serial No.: 09/716,486

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Title: Respiratory Suction Catheter Apparatus  
with Improved Valve and Collar



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Sir:

The present amendment is in response to the Office Action  
mailed October 21, 2002, in the above captioned application.

Please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 10 as indicated on the attached  
sheets which show the particular claim amendments. The claims as  
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